



# Our News

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

**Newsletter Term 1 Week 6****4<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

## *Templestowe Heights Primary School Values*

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Labour Day Public Holiday (No School)****School Council Election – Voting Closes Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March 4.00pm**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Restrictions lifted – Visitors query

After Friday's announcement, we have now resorted back to the identical guidelines that were in place when we commenced school this year. Staff are no longer required to wear masks indoors, however limitations on large gatherings that include visitors that are not staff or students remains.

In regards to parents and carers being able to attend onsite to volunteer and help out, the guidelines do permit this, however like any workplace covid-safe practices must be adhered to (i.e. signing in, hand sanitising, socially distance from adults where possible). We already have many dedicated parent and carers coming in during lunch times to coach our school basketball teams. As a further example, we know in term 2 there will be an opportunity for parents and carers to volunteer in classrooms to listen to students read. Class Reps will be the point of contact for this.



### Baby News

Congratulations to Ashleigh Bowman and Tim Johnson who on Monday welcomed their first child, daughter *Harlow Grace* into the world. Mum and bub are doing well and we look forward to meeting a future 2027 Foundation student at Templestowe Heights Primary.



### School Council Elections

Today all families will receive envelopes with our school council ballot papers. These ballot papers must be returned to the office by 4pm Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

### Welcome Bailee and Aliya

We would like to welcome Aliya (5/6W) and Bailee (3/4B) into our community. We are looking forward to seeing you grow as learners, it has been pleasing to see you have already established positive friendships and connection with your teachers.

### Capital Works Project

As previously mentioned, we were extremely fortunate to have received a \$13million stimulus grant from the State Government. The reason behind this allocation was to build new spaces for the increase of 125 students projected in the next 5-10 years. Part of the project will be the construction of a double story senior building and a state of the art STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics) learning space, the site will be between our library and STEM room.



**Rhys Coulson**  
Principal

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

### Term 1

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday</b>
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am</b>
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>School Council Election Voting Closes 4.00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>School Council Meeting 7.00pm</b>
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am</b>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Foundation Students Starting School Certificate Assembly</b>
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am</b>
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Cultural Identity Day</b> <b>Easter Raffle Ticket Sales End</b>
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Hot Cross Bun Orders Close</b>
<b>Thursday 1 April</b>	<b>Hat Parade</b> <b>Assembly at 1.30pm Easter Raffle Draw</b> <b>End of Term 1 – Students Dismissed at 2.30pm</b>

### TERM DATES 2021

<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January (Students Start) to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>

### Pupil Free Days

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

## FROM THE OFFICE

### School Payments

Just a reminder payments cannot be made using Compass. Our methods of payment are BPay, Eftpos, Credit card and cash. Card payment can be processed over the phone. Cash can be handed in personally to the office or placed in a named and sealed envelope and sent to school with your child.



### School Lunch Cutlery

A number of our students are bringing lunches to school that require forks and spoons to eat. Please remember to include a plastic fork or spoon in your child's lunch box.

### COMPASS News

- Compass notifications and Compass email notifications are sent to adult A and B on our system. If you are not receiving notification please check:
  1. The correct email address has been provided to the school
  2. Compass notifications are set to 'ON' on your phone
  3. The emails are not being sent to your junk folder
  4. You have not blocked Compass notifications on your email settings.
- COMPASS **cannot be used to make payments** to the school. Payments can only be made via BPay, Eftpos, credit card or cash. Please call the school if you would like your BPay reference details.
- Once an event has **expired you can no longer access** the event to provide consent and must contact the office.

# SCHOOL PRODUCTION VOLUNTEERS!!!

Dear Parents, Carers, Family & Friends,

Amongst all of the uncertainties that we've faced in the past year, we can finally share some positive light that our school production is going ahead this year!!! It will be held in the last week of term 3 on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September at the Besen Centre in Burwood. You will be informed of production updates and news via Compass/newsletters throughout terms 1, 2 & 3.

We really appreciate volunteers at THPS and we would love to have your help for preparation for our school production. I would like to invite anyone who is interested to join/volunteer for our Production Creative Team which can include helping with prop/set designs, sewing costumes and attending working bees. Covid-safe guidelines (in accordance with the Department of Education) will be put in place when planning to meet for Creative Production meetings and working bees.

If you are able to volunteer some of your time during school or after school, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please email your interest to volunteer with your name, child's name and preferred email and contact number to: [sylvia.petrovska@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sylvia.petrovska@education.vic.gov.au)

I look forward to our theatrical journey together.

With Twirling Regards,

Mrs Petrovska  
(Performing Arts Teacher)





### Raffle & donations

The highly anticipated annual Easter Raffle will be drawn in the final assembly of term 1 on Thursday 1st April. Raffle tickets for each student will be sent home around Mon 15th March and will need to be returned by Fri 26th March. Families can donate bought items to be included in the raffle hampers. Please bring donations into the office anytime after the long weekend until the last Monday (29th March) of term. Please check ingredients and ensure all items are **NUT FREE**. Any Easter themed items welcome – eggs, bags/baskets, easter craft & colouring books, easter trinkets.

### Hot Cross Bun Drive

We are *delighted* to be running our annual Hot Cross Bun Drive in partnership with our local Macedon Plaza Bakers Delight leading up to Easter. Prices are the same as in store but \$2 from every pack sold will be donated towards our school fundraising. Orders close 5pm Sunday 28th March, for pick up from the bakery on either Tues 30th or Wed 31st March. You will be given the option to select either date and your items will be baked fresh that day. To order, click on <http://bit.ly/thps-easter>

### Working With Children Check

Anyone who helps in any capacity at school must have a WWCC. It's free and easy to apply for online <https://wwwcv.auspost.com.au/>

### Buzz lists

The buzz list permission form on the Compass portal for has now closed, but if you would like to be included please contact the school office ASAP. Being included on the Buzz List will ensure you are included in all Class Rep emails and information. Buzz lists will be sent out over the next week via email from your Class Rep.

### THPS Parents & Friends Community Facebook page

Join the THPS closed Facebook group by searching for THPS Parents & Friends Community and answering the question. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/758762184247385>

P&F Team - Cecile, Fiona, Oula & Sarah [th\\_pspaf@gmail.com](mailto:th_pspaf@gmail.com)



## BASKETBALL NEWS



Season 1 2021 commenced last week

### MORE PLAYERS NEEDED!

We have a couple of spots left over a number of teams.

1/2 boys, 5/6 boys and ANY GIRLS in grades 1/2, 3/4 & 5/6  
who would like to play can register using the link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTQ>

For more information, please see the flyer in the newsletter, or email Sarah & Kate  
[thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)

**GO HEIGHTS!!!**



## MINIBALL NEWS



### MINIBALL REGOS OPEN!

We are excited to announce that Miniball registrations are now open for any Foundation children who would like to learn how to play basketball in term 2.

Register your child using the link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BPKDF>

For more information, please see the flyer in the newsletter, or email Sarah & Kate  
[thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)

**GO HEIGHTS!!!**





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PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Easter Fundraising



Templestowe Heights Primary School is being supported by **Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza** to help raise some funds for much needed equipment for our school.

The school will receive \$2 for every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns purchased.

Help us to achieve our goal by purchasing some Hot Cross Buns. Ordering is easy as it's all done online.

Items are to be collected from Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza on the day that you nominate.

Orders close: 5pm Sunday, 28th March 2021

Collection: Tuesday 30th March OR Wednesday 31st March 2021

Collection from: Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza

Scan this code



OR go to: <http://bit.ly/thps-easter>

## Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza

**◆Student Absences**

If your child will be absent from school please record their absence on **COMPASS**.

- On your smart phone

1. Press the “**Add Attendance Note**” tab  
If you have more than 1 child at the school select the absent child
2. Tap on ‘**Reason**’ – and select an option. (illness, parents’ choice etc.)  
(Details/Comments field is optional)
3. Tap on **Start Date** and **End Date** (change if necessary)
4. Press ‘**Add Attendance Note**’

Complete this process before 10.30am on the day of their absence

**◆Recording Extended Absences**

If your family is going on holidays please record your child’s absence using the same process as above before the absence date. (Adjust the **Start Date** and **End Date** accordingly) and email your child’s class teacher and the school office.

**◆Absence Notifications**

An SMS will be sent at 10.30am to all children recorded as ‘Unexplained’. If you receive an SMS, please update the absence on **COMPASS** or call the school office.

**◆COMPASS Notifications**

Notification are sent via the app and email. To ensure you receive all notifications go to the settings on your phone and select “**Enable Notifications**”.


**◆Late Arrivals Early departures**

Late arrivals and early departures are recorded on the **School Kiosk** as your child arrives and departs the school via the office. **Do not record these on Compass.**


**◆School reports**

Semester reports can be accessed by selecting your child’s photo and pressing on the “**Reports**” tab

**◆Booking Teacher Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews)**

1. Tap on the icon on the top left corner of your app 
2. Select Conferences and follow the tabs to book a time with your child’s teacher.

**◆Events Consent (Incursions, Excursions, Permissions)**

1. Tap on the icon on the top left corner of your app 
2. Choose “**Events**” tab and follow the prompts.

If your family circumstances change, please notify the office so separate family **COMPASS** accounts can be created. Personal family details will be shared unless we are otherwise notified.

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## HIGH FLYERS WEEK 5 TERM 1

Year	Name	Received Award....
1/2B	Arya	You have been asked to increase your effort and notice your actions...and you have! You are being mindful of others and caring for your teacher. Thank you, keep it up!
1/2J	Harman	For your ability to include all of your friends in classroom activities and ensuring everybody has had an equal opportunity to participate. Your character strength of being fair and pleasing everybody contributes significantly to our happy classroom environment! Thank you, Harman, for being such a kind person in 1/2J.
1/2K	Zara	Zara, class members of 1/2K have spotted you for your acts of kindness multiple times this week! You are considerate, generous and caring of others, and this makes 1/2K a wonderful place to be. You inspire us all!
1/2M	Ollie	I have watched you change your mindset from a: "I can't do that to I'll have a Red Hot Go!" You are now willing to apply yourself to new learning, thriving on the feedback from your peers and your teacher. Keep trying your best and keep up the positive vibe.
1/2V	Ava	Ava this week you have been chosen as the 1/2V high flyer for showing the character strength of self-regulation. You think carefully about your words and your actions, and how they might affect those around you. You show consideration and compassion to everyone, and this is just one of the many reasons we all love having you in our class! Well done on a great start to year 2 Ava, keep it up!
1/2W	Cooper	Congratulations to Cooper on a fantastic start to year two! He is a model THPS student, consistently demonstrating the school values and striving to achieve his personal best. Cooper is a friend to all, showing kindness, patience and gratitude. It is a pleasure to have you in our class!
3/4F	Maiya	Maiya, you have demonstrated a love for being creative through your narrative about a castle. It was amazing to see how you planned your writing in a concept map first and reflected back to it during the lesson. By doing this you were able to make sure all your fabulous ideas were included. Keep up this incredible effort!
3/4J	Oscar	Oscar, your keen attention to your learning is evident in the ways you ask questions, complete learning tasks and help others. You have been spotted showing the utmost kindness and respect to all the people (and the animal) in our class. You always include others and generously share your ideas, which makes everyone feel SO good! We are extremely glad to have you in 34J, Oscar. 😊😊😊
3/4R	Scott	You have been spotted demonstrating the Character Strengths of Love of Learning, curiosity and Leadership with any responsibility you have been given. Well done for teaching Miss Rossi and 3/4R a new word!
5/6C	Noora	Congratulations Noora, you are this week's high flyer! Your peers have noticed you using humour and kindness around the classroom and helping to make our classroom a happy and positive place! Well done 🎉
5/6L	Naomi	Naomi, 5/6L have noticed you using the character strengths of kindness and love of learning! You are a fantastic role model for others at THPS. You demonstrate your best effort with your learning by listening to others, being curious and asking questions. Congratulations on challenging yourself as a learner, we can't wait to see what you achieve this year!
5/6P	Isla	Isla, Mr Sartori has nominated you for the High Flyer this week because of the incredible start you have made to the year. You have demonstrated the character strength 'love of learning' by showing brilliant work habits and energy for being a 'thriving learner'. You are a role model for other students and we appreciate this. Congratulations Isla!!
5/6W	Sangya	Congratulations to Sangya. I have noticed you displaying the character strength of Perseverance. You consistently try your very best with everything and tackle challenging tasks with an open mindset! Well done Sangya & keep it up!

## Community News



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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – MINIBALL**  
**PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION**  
**2021 – TERM 2**



Dear Parents

We are now asking for expressions of interest for children that would like to take part in the Bulleen Miniball Competition for Term 2.

This competition takes place **after school** on a Friday at Bulleen Stadium in Sheahans Rd and is aimed at teaching prep aged children the rules and techniques of Basketball while playing a game.

Drop down rings are lowered for Miniball and are a good height for children of this age.

Games run for 35 minutes, start times vary each week and are between 4.10 – 6.10pm.

The umpire and coaches are on the court throughout the game to explain the rules and instructions to the players. The game consists of 2 x 15 minute halves and is not scored.

Learning the rules and how to play the game, whilst having fun, are the main goals of Miniball.

No previous experience is necessary.

The season commences the first week of term 2 (Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April) and runs for 10 weeks.

***We will need parents/relatives to help coach and manage the teams or it will not be possible.***

Please let us know if you can take on or help with either of these roles. Previous basketball or coaching experience is not necessary. You will need a current Working With Children Check which is free to apply for online <https://wwwcv.auspost.com.au/>

Cost - \$80 per child for the term (we will email you the registration link from Bulleen later).

**Uniform** – players wear their school uniform – light blue polo and navy shorts/skort/pants and sneakers.

Expression of Interest Registration – is free using this link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BPKDF> as soon as possible so we have an idea of player numbers.

SARAH MABIN & KATE STACKER  
SCHOOL DELEGATES

[thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)



**PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST VIA THE TRYBOOKING LINK**

<https://www.trybooking.com/BPKDF>



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**TEAM REGISTRATION – NEW PLAYERS**  
**PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION**  
**2021 – SEASON 1**



Dear Parents

Thank you for choosing to register your child in the Primary School Basketball Competition for season 1 2021 to represent Templestowe Heights Primary School. This competition is run by the Bulleen Boomers and takes place **after school** on various days depending on your child's age and gender. The season runs for 2 terms. Children from Grades 1 to 6 can take part.

Below is some information about the competition:

Monday nights -	Grade 5/6 Boys and Girls
Tuesday nights -	Grade 3/4 Boys
Wednesday nights -	Grade 1/2 Girls & Boys
Thursday nights -	Grade 3/4 Girls



Season 1 will commence on 22nd February and run through to late May with finals in June.

**Uniforms** – each new player will need to buy their uniform from school, which consists of shorts and a singlet (\$50\*). Samples are in the school office for sizing. Please use this link if you need to buy a uniform  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BNEER>

**Coaches and managers are needed**, we can't run a team without volunteers. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer.

**Team Registration** – a fee of \$20\* will need to be paid to cover team registration and administration using this link <https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTQ> as soon as possible so we have an idea of player numbers. **YOU WILL NEED TO PAY FOR THIS ONLINE, PLEASE DO NOT BPAY TO SCHOOL.**

**Player Registration/Match fees** - You will also need to register your child online with the Bulleen Boomers. The Boomers' season fee is usually around \$100 which covers the matches played for the season. We will provide you with the link when we receive it before the season starts.

**Training** – will be at school in the gym before, during or after school, depending on the coach and gym availability.

Please register your interest as soon as possible for new players, so we can ensure there is space in a team.

(\*a *Trybooking* fee of 50c will be charged in addition to these costs per transaction by Trybooking.)

SARAH MABIN & KATE STACKER  
SCHOOL DELEGATES [thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)

PLEASE PAY VIA THE TRYBOOKING LINK <https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTQ>

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## PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL

### 'TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS BASKETBALL' OPTIONAL APPAREL



Towards the end of 2019, we launched our new 'Templestowe Heights Basketball' apparel.

We still have stock available in most sizes.

We are offering players, coaches and parents the opportunity to purchase t-shirts and long sleeved tops. These tops are an optional extra, they will not be replacing the player singlet or the school uniform. They can be worn to/from basketball matches or casually.

#### COST:

Short sleeved t-shirts	\$25*
Long sleeved tops	\$33*

(\*a Trybooking fee of 50c will be charged in addition to these costs per transaction by Trybooking.)

#### SIZES:

Kids Sizes	8	10	12	14	16 (XS)	
Adults Sizes	S	M	L	XL	XXL	XXXL

If you would like to order, please use the link:

[www.trybooking.com/BHDYW](http://www.trybooking.com/BHDYW)



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PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL DELEGATES

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# Open Night\*

## Thursday 18 March 2021

\* This year by booking only



## East Doncaster Secondary College

This year bookings must be made to attend and receive a COVID Safe College tour, starting at **5:30pm**, with the last tour departing at **7:05pm**.

**Pre-Purchase tickets at:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BOSHQ>

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2021

Open Night

**Tuesday, 16 March 2021**

**5.30 - 7.30pm**

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2021 Community Seminar Series

**REPEAT SESSION**

ONLINE SEMINAR

# WORKING WITH PARENTS AROUND SCHOOL REFUSAL

DATE	25 March 2021
The workshop will be presented by:	Staff from CYMHS Specialist Child Team

This workshop will focus on:

- *Understanding school refusal*
- *Learning what can be done to prevent school refusal for primary aged children*
- *Understanding how to help a child who is refusing to attend school re-integrate back into school*

Target audience:	Staff working in a range of settings including education, child and family services and youth services
Time:	9.30 AM to 12.30 PM
Cost:	\$40.00 (including GST, and seminar materials)
Bookings & Registration:	Email to: <a href="mailto:communityseminarCYMHS@easternhealth.org.au">communityseminarCYMHS@easternhealth.org.au</a> or complete the Registration Form and fax to 039870 7973
Contact:	Marion Bernard Community Engagement Seminars on 9871 7710
Seminar Location:	<b>ONLINE DELIVERY</b>

All prices and dates quoted are subject to change by CYMHS. Seminar fees are kept as low as possible. Enrolled participants will be notified of any changes to advertised programs when necessary. Participants are not entitled to a refund unless **WRITTEN** cancellation has been received at least 24 hours prior to the event. The department reserves the right to cancel any scheduled programs when necessary and course fees will be refunded if the course is cancelled. [www.easternhealth.org.au](http://www.easternhealth.org.au)



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